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ROME FOR FODAG

E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJ: BURMESE MUSLIMS IN BANGLADESH

REF: STATE 135360

1. WE ARE NOW TOLD THAT LONG DEFERRED BRIEFING OF CHIEFS OF MISSIONS ON THE ARAKANESE MUSLIMS IS NOW LIKELY TO BE HELD LATE MONDAY MAY 29. WE ARE ALSO TOLD THAT THE UNHCR APPEAL WILL BE ISSUED FROM GENEVA EARLY NEXT WEEK. WORLD FOOD PEACE REPRESENTATIVE PAGE TOLD USAID DIRECTOR MAY 26 THAT WFP WILL BE LOOKING FOR US TO HELP HIM IN ITS REQUIREMENTS FOR FOODGRAIN FOR CAMPS. IN ADDITION PAGE SEES AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR SOY FORTIFIED SORGHUM GRITS. PIERRE COATS FROM THE UNHCR STAFF IS TO PROVIDE USAID THIS WEEKEND WITH PREVIEW OF UNHCR APPEAL TO MEET NEEDS THROUGH END OF
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CALENDAR YEAR. HE ESTIMATES A REQUIREMENT OF EIGHT THOUSAND METRIC TONS SFSG.

2. THERE IS SOME CONFUSION ON INFORMATION BEING RECEIVED FROM BDG, UN, AND RED CROXX SOURCES. WE HOPE THAT BRIEFING BY FOREIGN AFFAIRS ADVISOR MAY CLARIFY DATA AND PROVIDE CLEAR BASIS FOR FORMULATION OF US ASSISTANCE.

3. WHILE WE WOULD PREFER TO HOLD OFF ON OUR RECOMMENDATION
PENDING REVIEW OF UNHCR APPEAL AND BRIEFING BY BDG, WE SEE
LIKELIHOOD OF LONG TERM REQUIREMENT FOR PL 480 TITLE II FOOD.
FOR SHORT TERM WE FEEL GREATEST IMPACT COULD BE MADE WITH
CASH MADE AVAILABLE TO UNHCR IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE PROBLEMS
OF ACCOUNTABILITY.

4. WE WILL COMMENT FURTHER EARLY NEXT WEEK.
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